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QUEENSLANDERS IN SYDNEY.

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From reports to hand, things were warm on Saturday, between Balmain Fernleigh and Glebe United, "B" Grade. Boys, remember Soccer is football, not fighting; and what happened last Saturday does the game no good, especially at Headquarters.

FIXTURES. 11/8/'23.

CHARITY CUP.—Glebe United v. Glebe Arcadia, deferred; Marrickville B v. St. Peter's B, Canterbury No. 1, 3.15; Dulwich Hill A v. Lilyfield B, Crescent Oval, 3.15; Lilyfield A v. Annandale Alt. B, Primrose No. 1, 1.45; Marrickville A v. Canterbury A, Primrose No. 1, 3.15. **"A" GRADE, First Division:** Centennial v. Marrickville, deferred; Lakemba v. Lilyfield, deferred; Canterbury v. Dulwich Hill, deferred. **Second Division:** Y.M.C.A. v. Pyrmont Ref., Canterbury No. 2, 3.15; S. T. Leigh v. Burns Philp, Arncliffe, 1.45; Nestanglo v. 5th Field Amb., Algie Park, 3.15. **"B" GRADE, First Division:** Lilyfield v. Lakemba, deferred; Glebe United v. Dulwich Hill, Primrose No. 2, 3.15; Balmain Fernleigh v. Glebe Arcadia, Algie Park, 1.45; Easton Park v. Newtown, forfeit. **Second Division:** Annandale Altonas v. St. Peters, deferred. **"C" GRADE, First Division:** Warren Wand. v. St. Peters, Canterbury No. 2, 1.45; Warren Avoca v. Lakemba, Lakemba, 3.15; Lilyfield v. Manly, Crescent Oval, 1.45; Warren Iona v. Wardell Road, Canterbury No. 2, 1.45; Newtown a bye. **Second Division:** Annandale Fed. v. Bondi, Canterbury No. 3, 3.15; Leichhardt v. Annandale Rov., Canterbury No. 1, 1.45; Botany v. Sunlight, Primrose No. 2, 1.45.

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LITHGOW NEWS.

(To the Editor.)

Dear Sir,—Lithgow Thistle journeyed to Kandos on Saturday, July 28, and played a friendly match with the newly-formed Kandos Club. Thistle won by 2 goals to nil, but Kandos put up a real good fight.

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POT SHOTS.

XYZ writes about establishing "factory football." Sounds satisfactory.

"Malleable Castings Ltd. beat Taubman's Paint Factory"—mind the paint.

"For Probables—Bacon and Cook scored 2 each."—Making a meal of it.

Magpies and Auburn have drawn byes in the first round of the Nurse Cup. Going to bye-bye.

"Hampshire came a buster in the mud trying to be funny in front of the girls."—Mud larks.

If "Onkus" Brand does not get a new pair of trousers!! . . . " Enough to make one's breath come in short pants.

M.C. looking East just now and not West.

List of names of the Chinese footballers travelling to Australia:—

H. A. Millard (manager of tour), representing the Commonwealth Soccer Association; Mok Hing, 31, Hong Kong, Compradore and Broker, manager of team; Leung Yuk Tong, 26, Hong Kong, Compradore; Wong Pak Chung, 30, Hong Kong, Dairy Merchant; Lay Hing Cheung, 25, Hong Kong, Merchant; Ip Kau Ko, 21, Hong Kong, Band Assistant; Chang Hsi En, 24 Peking, Student; Wang Chen Sheng, 24 Peking, Student; Shen Kup Choun, 26, Mukden, Student; Kwok Po Kan, 27, Hong Kong, Merchant; Ng Kam Chuen, 19, Hong Kong, Student; Lam Yuk Ying, 20, Hong Kong, Student; Chan Kwong Yiu, 19, Hong Kong, Student; Leung Tai Fong, 32, Hong Kong, Merchant; Won Shiu Wa, 25, Hong Kong, Merchant; Chan So, 24, Hong Kong, Laundry Preprietor; Li Wai Tong, 19, Hong Kong, Contractor; Pung Kam Wing, 26, Hong Kong, Merchant.

QUEENSLAND v. NEW SOUTH WALES.

Teams:—

Queensland: Hamilton; Routledge and Gedge; Love, White and Gibb (captain); Mitchell, L. Clark, Lebetter, Bothwell and Burton.

New South Wales: Boyle; Crum and Oliver; Johnston, Creighton and Spurway; Rees, Ward, Masters, Gilmour and McLaughlin.

Referee: R. Kemp.

The visitors were the first to press, and Rees quickly distinguished himself with two good centres, which were quickly cleared. A moment later Mitchell gained possession, and put in a glorious centre from the corner flag. It was only with difficulty that Boyle got the leather away. A moment later, Burton, who had previously been nicely robbed by Crum, centred well, but the New South Wales' defence was not found wanting. The game was being well fought, and there were some nice touches, both in offence and defence. McLaughlin had a chance, but his centre went behind. New South Wales maintained the pressure, and Rees took a corner kick, which was cleared.

A Narrow Escape for N.S.W.

Then Queensland swept down the field, and Lebetter, beating Crum, put the ball into goal. Boyle, who was inspiring anything but confidence, caught the leather and obligingly threw it a yard or two on to the head of Bothwell, who was excellently placed. The opportunity was not accepted, and, to the relief of the Southerners the ugly situation was saved. Gedge next distinguished himself by taking the ball off the toe of Rees just as he was about to test Hamilton.

A Pretty Effort.

Masters was the next to fill the picture. He first beat White, passed the ball back, received it again, and dashed clean through. His final effort was a glorious drive, which hit the far post, with Hamilton hopelessly beaten. The leather went to Rees, whose shot was feebly stopped by Hamilton. A tussle in the goal-mouth resulted, which ended in Rees firing over. It was a narrow escape. McLaughlin next raced down the left wing, but Gedge finally beat him for pace and cleared. On the other wing Routledge conceded a corner.

Another Narrow Escape.

Queensland had another very narrow escape when Gilmour volleyed in a shot which struck the crossbar. From the rebound Masters headed in, but Hamilton somehow or other managed to bar its progress, a fruitless corner being conceded. There was no doubting the superiority of the visitors, who were always menacing when at close quarters. After Burton had failed to take advantage of a good opening, New South Wales got going once again, Gilmour compelling Hamilton to a good save. When the Queensland forwards did get possession, their inside men were completely dominated. Only Mitchell was showing real form. The attacks of the Queenslanders were spasmodic, and New South Wales were soon aggressive again, Hamilton having all his work cut out to avert the opening score. White eventually gave Burton a perfect chance, who forced Boyle to make a save in the angle of the goal. White next headed the ball over to Clark who headed to was just wide with a dazzling drive. The scores at half time were:—

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QUEENSLAND JUNIOR TOUR.

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Yours, etc.,

E. F. OLLEY, "Cumberland Argus"

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First Division.

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Granville	12	10	1	1	38	11	21
Bal. Fgh.	12	7	2	3	25	8	17
Bal. Glad.	12	6	5	1	25	18	13
Sydney	12	5	6	1	18	28	11
Pyrmont	12	4	6	2	12	17	10
Gladesville	12	5	7	–	29	26	10
Pyr. R.	12	4	6	2	15	29	10
Bal. Scot.	12	1	9	2	6	31	4

Second Division.

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Two Blues	12	10	1	1	31	7	21
Leichhardt ...	13	9	4	0	28	17	18
Pyrmont Rang..	12	7	5	0	25	16	14
Canterbury ...	13	4	8	1	13	21	9
Campsie Thistle	13	3	9	1	13	33	7
East. Suburbs ..	13	2	10	1	12	32	5
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METROPOLITAN CHAMPIONSHIP.

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Bal. Gladstones.	5	2	2	1	16	10	5
Sydney	5	2	2	1	9	13	5
Pyrmont	5	2	3	0	8	11	4
Gladesville ...	5	2	3	0	14	9	4
Bal. Scottish ..	5	1	3	1	4	13	3
Pyrmont Rang..	5	0	3	2	3	12	2

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This is the team which won the Far Eastern Olympiad, at Osaka, Japan, this year. Twelve of the party are in the present combinati

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(By J. McDougall.)

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In front of each goal is drawn a line 4 yards long parallel to and 15 yards from the goal-line, and continued each way to the goal-line by drawing quarter circles with the goal-posts as centres. This is the striking circle. The ball is a leather cricket ball, the case painted white or made of white leather. The sticks are made of ash, have a flat front surface, and curved blade, and may not weigh more than 28 ounces. The game is started by the bully-off, one player of each side bullying the ball from the centre of the ground.

To bully the ball, each players strikes first the ground on his own side of the ball and then his opponent's stick three times alternately, after which the players may strike at the ball. A goal is scored when the ball passes between the uprights, below the cross-bar and entirely over the goal-line, the ball having been hit or touched by the stick of an attacker while within the striking circle.

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Second Division.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Goals F.	Goals A.	Pts.
Auburn	6	5	1	0	19	5	10
Leichhardt ...	6	5	1	0	1[illegible]	9	10
Two Blues	5	4	0	1	12	3	9
Pyrmont Rang.	5	3	2	0	11	[illegible]	6
Canterbury ...	6	2	4	0	5	10	4
Campsie Thistle	6	1	4	1	3	12	3
East. Suburbs ..	6	1	4	1	9	16	3
Burns' Club	6	0	5	1	6	17	1

RESULTS FOR SATURDAY, 4th August, 1923.

Granville beat Sydney, 2-0.
Balmain-Fernleigh beat Sydney, 2-0.
Pyrmont Rangers drew with Balmain Gladstones, 0-0.
Auburn beat Pyrmont Rangers, 3-1.
Canterbury beat Burns' Club, 2-1.
Leichhardt beat Campsie Thistle, 2-0.
Two Blues beat Eastern Suburbs, 3-0.

SUNLIGHT CUP.

Annandale Altona and Leichhardt drew, 1-1.
Garden Island and Rozelle Albions, 0-0.
Sunlight beat Botany Albion, 2-0.
Parramatta beat Lidcombe, 1-0.
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As predicted in our last issue, Dulie A v. Alex. A provided plenty of excitement and interest at Waterloo last week. At half-time the score were 0-0, which was a true reflex of the game. In the second half, however, the Alex boys asserted themselves, but luck was against them. Howe, between the sticks, played a good game, albeit he had plenty of luck. With about five minutes to go Jones netted, and this was the final score. A 2 or 3 goal margin would have been a truer reflex of the game. Austin tossed All Saints 9-0, James & Granville netting all the goals. Warboys spent most of his time in practising for the swimming season. Saints outside right played a great game, but was not supported. Adams and Wylie played well, and were largely responsible for St. Paul's defeating Aidans, 3-2. Aidans would like to have four or five referees on the field at once—provided they wore blue and white jerseys.

St. Johns, Bal., and St. Albans, Ult. A played a 1-1 draw at Waterloo. It was a great game, both sides being all out. The result was a fair reflex of the game.

After a very hard game Leichhardt Pres. defeated Lakemba Meth. 4-2. Hyde, Hume and Joass were good. H. Pk. Congs. kept their possie with Alex. Mission by towelling L.D. Saints, 5-0. Alex. also towelled St. Clements, 5-0.

Lakemba Congs B put five up against Dulie B in the first half, and Dulie would not continue the match. Dulwich Hill Bapt B has withdrawn from the competition, and all teams are hereby notified to that effect.

Jolliffe again played a great game for St. Thomas, but he was not supported, Croydon Congs. defeating them 6-0. Batman, Marsden and McKenzie were the pick of Ult. B last week when they towelled St. Stephens, 5-0. S. Martin shows promise of developing into a great back.

Fivedock Meth. defeated All Sts. B after a very poor game, 4-0. Ashfield Bapt. had the wind up Newtown Congs last week. Although Newtown had the better of the play, it was not until within 15 minutes of full time that Ashfield Citadel

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I have gone closely and carefully over the Suburbs of Sydney, and I think you will find that this list is thoroughly representative of Sydney and Suburbs.

One of these teams might be withdrawn at any time to make way for an important non-District Club such as University, etc. Of course, the allotment of boundaries to each Suburb and District could be left to the Association to decide. You will note that the list amounts to 17—one over the required number. Well, Auburn coming within the area of the Granville Association, and it being only necessary for that Association to supply one First Grade team to the Metropolitan Association, I think they could be excluded.

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To deal with these one by one:—

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FIXTURES, AUGUST 18.

Owing to Test Match Australia v. China, all games are postponed.

Any club requiring the services of a jazz band are recommended to apply to T. Stacey, "Cannonbury," Virgie Street, Waverley.

COMPETITION TABLE UP TO 28/7/'23.

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*C'bury Jnrs.	11	9	0	2	1	50	8	22
*Dul. Hill ..	11	9	2	0	1	49	10	20
*Lakemba ..	12	7	4	1	1	27	16	17
Lilyfield ...	12	4	4	4	1	16	14	14
*Cent. Jnrs. .	12	4	7	1	1	16	36	11
S. T. Leigh .	13	5	6	2	1	20	28	14
Pyrmont Ref.	12	3	6	3	2	17	23	13
*Y.M.C.A. ..	11	3	7	1	2	22	29	11
Nestanglo ..	12	2	9	1	2	10	43	9
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B GRADE.

Division I.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	B.	Goals F.	Goals A.	Pts.
Easton Park	12	8	1	3	1	27	12	21
**Glebe U. ..	10	8	1	1	1	37	3	19
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*Bal. Fern...	11	4	3	4	1	20	16	14
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Glebe Arc. .	12	3	6	3	1	18	26	11
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Newtown ..	12	0	12	0	1	4	32	2

Division II.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	B.	Goals F.	Goals A.	Pts.
**Ann. Alts..	12	10	1	1	0	42	3	21
*M'ville ...	13	9	1	3	0	40	8	21
Leichhardt .	14	9	3	2	0	35	12	20
*Bal. Glads..	13	9	3	1	0	43	13	19
Chester U...	14	3	9	2	0	16	47	8
Sunlight ...	14	3	9	2	0	20	46	8
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Lakemba ..	12	5	6	1	2	15	28	15
War. Wand..	12	2	10	0	2	10	33	8
Manly	13	2	10	1	1	6	55	7
Ward. Road .	13	1	11	1	1	8	57	5

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**Pyrmont .	12	10	1	1	0	46	9	21
Annan. Feds.	14	9	4	1	0	20	16	19
*Banksm'dow	13	9	3	1	0	21	10	19
*Bondi	13	7	2	4	0	12	12	18
Botany	14	8	4	2	0	19	10	18
Annan. Rovs.	14	8	5	1	0	29	18	17
Leichhardt .	14	3	9	2	0	7	28	8
Sunlight ...	14	2	11	1	0	10	36	5

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to encourage them. The best encouragement is to have a First and Second Grade team, and then they know they are playing for an object, and that object is to gain a place in the First Grade team representing their Suburb or District, and it should be made obligatory on Clubs under this scheme to encourage their juniors in this respect. It should be an easy task, I think you will agree, Sir, to find 11 good men to form a First Grade team, with a corresponding Second Grade Club, out of this District.

It would be absolutely necessary to have a **Pyrmont** team in the Competition, considering the part that Suburb has played in the building up of Soccer in this State, and being in my opinion the most famous, from an historical standpoint, Soccer team in N.S.W. Therefore to keep this team alive under the District (that Suburb is losing population owing to the building in of factories) system it would be necessary to allot them more area than what is supposed the name Pyrmont embraces to-day. They could be given a large slice of the city proper—Ultimo, Chippendale, Miller's Point, and perhaps more.

Of course, with this modest scheme it may not be possible to go the whole hog, so to speak, for a start, and have Second (or Reserve) Grade Clubs as well in addition to the First Grade, but even if a start was made with First Grade Clubs only this would be a big step forward, and steady advancement could be made year by year with the formation of Second (or Reserve) Grade Clubs, and also junior teams.

The system of promotion should be allowed to remain the same as it is now, excepting as regards the promotion of Second Grade Clubs to Second Division of First Grade and vice versa as regards the relegation of Second Division Clubs to Second Grade. The Second (or Reserve) Grade Clubs would be teams of the corresponding name or District as the First Grade Clubs. Instead, an incentive to the teams that would be at the lower rung of the Second Division ladder as the season progressed might be thought out. (This year I note a start is being made with a "knock out" competition to

three leading teams in the Second Divison.) It should be made obligatory on First Grade Clubs to encourage and give every chance and assistance to promising Second (or Reserve) Grade players and juniors. This would be an incentive to players in the Second (or Reserve) Grade Clubs.

Societies, institutions, national clubs, hospitals, commercial firms, etc., could be entered in a separate Division or Divisions.

In the event of a First Grade team not re-forming in any year, then promote the Second (or Reserve) Grade team. It is most probable that, being a necessary part of one another, if one does not re-form the other will not. In that case, if it be the First Division concerned, promote the third team of the previous year in the Second Division. It would be inadvisable to go below the third, so that in the event of two failing to re-form (which is most improbable) fall back on the highest teams of the Division of Clubs, Societies, etc., I have already mentioned. This Division could be utilised also to fill any vacancy caused by deflection in the Second Division—i.e., if there were no Reserve Grade available—although, as I said, it would be unsatisfactory to go below the third highest team. The gap thus caused in this non-District Division could, I am certain, be overcome by some means.

This scheme, in my opinion, would make for more evenly distributed interest over the First and Second Divisions, which would be a little compensation for players compelled to play in the Second Division owing to their District team being in that Division.

All the foregoing suggestions, of course, would be more practicable under the District as against the Club system, but if the Metropolitan Association consider for some reason the present absolutely premature for the introduction of the District system (though to me it would be inexplainable if they did think so) the idea of **no two teams representing the same Suburb or District be included in the two Divisions**, might be applied.

Now, Sir, I will conclude, and I

Do not throw this letter away and forget about it, but keep it in your mind, refer to it and improve on it if necessary, and if you think it essential that the District system be introduced (as I most emphatically do), or the present Club system placed on a satisfactory footing, submit these suggestions with improvements or otherwise to the Association. Remember that Soccer is advancing and a bold step is necessary, so that not merely a small section of Sydney and Metropolis will be interested from a District standpoint in Soccer (as is the case now), but the whole of this great and growing Sydney.

A courageous attempt at a comprehensive scheme of District football, or for the present a marked improvement on the present Club system to make interest more **general**, will never be regretted.

As I said before, **there is no time like the present**, and if action is taken in some way **now**, Soccer will one day be the dominant ball game in New South Wales at least, and that is the ideal which I and every consistent Soccer follower has at heart. The generations of Soccer followers and players yet unborn will thank the men who, if this or any other suitable reform is instituted, did so much for the game.

Yours sincerely, in anticipation of something good for the game arising out of my few suggestions put forth in the foregoing letter,

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